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In re Application of:

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PHOTOGRAPHIC DEVELOPING COMPOSITION AND USE THEREOF IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PHOTOGRAPHIC ELEMENT

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND/OR ELECTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed 30 January 2003, Applicant makes the following provisional elections:

I confirm the election without traverse to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-19 as drawn to a developer, classified in class 430, subclass 488.

I further confirm the election of the species (1) to the compounds of formula (I) for initiation of a search. It is believed that all species should be searched together.

I further confirm the election of the subspecies of the compounds of formula (I) to be para-glutaramidophenyldisulfide.

However it is understood that process claims 20-21 and material claims 22-23 may be allowed to be rejoined with claims 1-19 provided that one of such claims is allowed and that these claims contains all of the limitations of the allowed developer claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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